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If you ask anyone from this nation(Ummah) this question , he will probably answer you that the book of God is the Qur'an , is it really the book of Allah is only the Qur'an?

Will try to answer to this question [insha allah] through the following axes :

- The meaning of the word book in (Qur'an)
- The word (book) started with (the)(ال العهدية)
- Qur'an is a detail of the book
- The message from Allah is a statement of (everything) .
- The message from Allah is a statement of (what disagreed about) .

The meaning of the book in (Qur'an)

The word (book / The book) has many meanings in (Qur'an) , for example :

1)The meaning of book is : Judgment and an obligation .

(يا أَيُّهَا الَّذينَ آمَنوا كُتِبَ عَلَيكُمُ الصِّيامُ كَما كُتِبَ عَلَى الَّذينَ مِن قَبلِكُم لَعَلَّكُم تَتَّقونَ)(183)(البقرة)

{O you who believe! Fasting is written for you ,as it was written for those before you, that you may become Al-Muttaqūn (Pious) }(183){Al-Baqarah}

2)The meaning of (The book) : What God sent to his messengers (messages) to their people , Allah said

(كانَ النّاسُ أُمَّةً واحِدَةً فَبَعَثَ اللَّهُ النَّبِيّينَ مُبَشِّرينَ وَمُنذِرينَ وَأَنزَلَ مَعَهُمُ الكِتابَ بِالحَقِّ لِيَحكُمَ بَينَ النّاسِ فيمَا اختَلَفوا فيهِ وَمَا اختَلَفَ فيهِ إِلَّا الَّذينَ أوتوهُ مِن بَعدِ ما جاءَتهُمُ البَيِّناتُ بَغيًا بَينَهُم فَهَدَى اللَّهُ الَّذينَ آمَنوا لِمَا اختَلَفوا فيهِ مِنَ الحَقِّ بِإِذنِهِ وَاللَّهُ يَهدي مَن يَشاءُ إِلى صِراطٍ مُستَقيمٍ)(213)(البقرة)

{Mankind was one community and Allāh sent Prophets with glad tidings and warnings, and, with them, He sent down the book in truth to judge between people in matters wherein they differed , and no one (differ about it)except those who got the book after clear proofs had come to them through hatred, one to another. Then, Allāh, by His Leave, guided those who believed to the truth of that wherein they differed. And Allāh guides whom He wills to a Straight Path}(213){AL-Baqarah}

3) The meaning of (book) : a message .

(اذهَب بِكِتابي هذا فَأَلقِه إِلَيهِم ثُمَّ تَوَلَّ عَنهُم فَانظُر ماذا يَرجِعونَ)(28)(النمل)

{Go with this (my book), and deliver it to them, then draw back from them, and see what (answer) they return.}(28){AL-Naml}

And Allah said:

(قُل يا أَهلَ الكِتابِ تَعالَوا إِلى كَلِمَةٍ سَواءٍ بَينَنا وَبَينَكُم أَلّا نَعبُدَ إِلَّا اللَّهَ وَلا نُشرِكَ بِهِ شَيئًا وَلا يَتَّخِذَ بَعضُنا بَعضًا أَربابًا مِن دونِ اللَّهِ

فَإِن تَوَلَّوا فَقولُوا اشهَدوا بِأَنّا مُسلِمونَ)(64)(ال عمران)

[The prophet when he called Christians and Jews (who were attributing to themselves the True Religion)]

The Almighty (Allah) said to the prophet muhammad : { Say : O' People of the scripture [Jews and Christians] come to a word that is equitable between (us and you) that to not worship except God (Allah) and to not associate partners or anything with him , and to not take[between us]one another as lords instead of (Allah) , .. after that👉The Almighty (Allah) said to the (prophet &muslims) : but If they turn a way, then say : bear witness that we are Muslims) . (verse : 64){Al-Omran } .

These are the most popular meanings of the word (book/the book) in the (Qura'an) , and its derivatives .

The word (book) started with (the)(ال العهدية)

The word (the book) started with (The) or in Arabic with (ال) .

If the word book started with(The) in Qura'an (The book)[ال العهدية] ,it means : [The message of Allah that he sent through his messengers

to his worshippers . (The book) is used to show the meaning of (the all books that Allah sent them down) ,

Allah said :

(لَيسَ البِرَّ أَن تُوَلّوا وُجوهَكُم قِبَلَ المَشرِقِ وَالمَغرِبِ وَلكِنَّ البِرَّ مَن آمَنَ بِاللَّهِ وَاليَومِ الآخِرِ وَالمَلائِكَةِ وَالكِتابِ وَالنَّبِيّينَ وَآتَى المالَ عَلى حُبِّهِ ذَوِي القُربى وَاليَتامى وَالمَساكينَ وَابنَ السَّبيلِ وَالسّائِلينَ وَفِي الرِّقابِ وَأَقامَ الصَّلاةَ وَآتَى الزَّكاةَ وَالموفونَ بِعَهدِهِم إِذا عاهَدوا وَالصّابِرينَ فِي البَأساءِ وَالضَّرّاءِ وَحينَ البَأسِ أُولئِكَ الَّذينَ صَدَقوا وَأُولئِكَ هُمُ المُتَّقونَ)(177)(البقرة

{ It is not Al-Birr (piety, righteousness, and each and every act of obedience to Allāh, etc.) that you turn your faces towards the east and (or) the west (in prayers); but Al-Birr is (the quality of) the one who believes in Allāh, and the Last Day, and the Angels, and the Book, and the Prophets , and gives money, in spite of love for it, to the kinsfolk, to the orphans, and to Al-Masākīn (the needy), and to the wayfarer, and to those who ask, and to set slaves free, and performs Aṣ-Ṣalāt (Iqāmat-aṣ-Ṣalāt), and gives the Zakāt, and who fulfil their covenant when they make it, and who are patient in extreme poverty and ailment (disease) and at the time of fighting (during the battles). Such are the people of the truth and they are Al-Muttaqūn(pious) }(177){Al-Baqarah}

And the meaning of (the book) can be : **the message** from the one prophet , as Allah said :

(وَلَقَد آتَينا موسَى الكِتابَ وَقَفَّينا مِن بَعدِهِ بِالرُّسُلِ..) (87)(البقرة)

{ And We gave Mūsā (Moses) the Book , and followed him up with a succession of Messengers ..}(87){AL-Baqarah}

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and Allah said :

(ال عمران) (نزَّلَ عَلَيكَ الكِتابَ بِالحَقِّ مُصَدِّقًا لِما بَينَ يَدَيهِ وَأَنزَلَ التَّوراةَ وَالإِنجيلَ)(3)

{ It is He Who has sent down the Book to you (Muḥammad with truth, confirming what came before it , and He sent down the Taurāt (Torah) and the Injeel (Gospel) }(3){AL-Omran}

So (the book of Allah) is Qur'an and Sunnah (Together) , and not the Qur'an just as many people think .

Qura'an is a detail of the book

Allah said :

وَما كانَ هذَا القُرآنُ أَن يُفتَرى مِن دونِ اللَّهِ وَلكِن تَصديقَ الَّذي بَينَ يَدَيهِ وَتَفصيلَ الكِتابِ لا رَيبَ فيهِ مِن رَبِّ العالَمينَ)(37)(يونس))

{And this Quraan is not such as could ever be produced by other than Allāh , but it is a confirmation of wich is between his hands , and an explanation of [the Book] , no doubt in it — from the Lord of the ‘Ālamīn).}(37){Yunus}

So Qur'an shows some details of the message.

The message from Allah is a statement of everything

Allah said :

(وَيَومَ نَبعَثُ في كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ شَهيدًا عَلَيهِم مِن أَنفُسِهِم وَجِئنا بِكَ شَهيدًا عَلى هؤُلاءِ وَنَزَّلنا عَلَيكَ الكِتابَ تِبيانًا لِكُلِّ شَيءٍ وَهُدًى وَرَحمَةً وَبُشرى لِلمُسلِمينَ)(89)(النحل)

{And (remember) the Day when We shall raise up from every nation a witness against (them) from amongst themselves. And We bring you as a witness against these. { And We have sent down to you the Book as an exposition of everything, and guidance ,and mercy, and glad tidings for those who have submitted themselves (to Allah as Muslims) }(89)(AL-Nahl)

If you focused in this verse, you will find that Allah said that he sent down the book to the (messenger) of Allah, as a statement of everything , and if you explained the meaning of the book as (Qur'an) only , its not going to be logic and you are going to be a layer , because (Qur'an) doesn't provide a statement of everything in the Islamic religion , for example : some of the worships duties details are mentioned in sunnah(Hadith) and not in Qura’an .

The message from Allah is a statement of (what disagreed about) .

For example , the Atheist used the verse above to show that islam is a wrong religion ,by showing the above verse to people and explain it in a wrong way , they will say for example : Allah said that(the book) which is the quraan only is a statement of everything , but qura'an hasn't show us how to pray , So based on that quraan is not perfect .

We have to deal with this verse as we deal with the whole Qur’an ,with respect and believing it . For example prayers and Zakah were

explained in the message of Allah through (Qur'an and Sunnah) , so we need both of them , Allah said :

وَما أَنزَلنا عَلَيكَ الكِتابَ إِلّا لِتُبَيِّنَ لَهُمُ الَّذِي اختَلَفوا فيهِ وَهُدًى وَرَحمَةً لِقَومٍ(
يُؤمِنونَ)(64)(النحل)

{ We sent down the Book for you , only to explain (To show clearly) to them those things in which they differ, and (as) guidance and mercy for a folk who believe}(64){Al-Nahl]

(The End)

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